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Application Number	09/677,060
Filing Date	September 29, 2000
First Named Inventor	Dhara
Art Unit	2661
Examiner Name	Joshua A. Kading
Attorney Docket Number	Dhara 2-2-1

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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Name (Print /Type)	Gregory C. Ranieri	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	29,695
Signature	<i>Gregory C. Ranieri</i>	Date	DEC. 8, 2004

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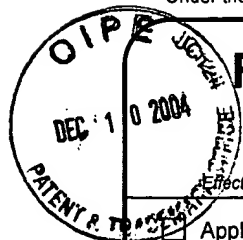
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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2005

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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## Complete if Known

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## FEE CALCULATION

## 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
	1001	790		2001	395	Utility filing fee	
	1002	350		2002	175	Design filing fee	
	1003	550		2003	275	Plant filing fee	
	1004	790		2004	395	Reissue filing fee	
	1005	160		2005	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 0

## 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
20 **	0	18	0
Independent Claims	3 **	0	0
Multiple Dependent			0

Large Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
	1202	18		2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
	1201	88		2201	44	Independent claims in excess of 3	
	1203	300		2203	150	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
	1204	88		2204	44	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
	1205	18		2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	

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## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

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	1051	130		2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
	1052	50		2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
	1053	130		1053	130	Non-English specification	
	1812	2,520		1812	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
	1804	920*		1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
	1805	1,840*		1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
	1251	110		2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
	1252	430		2252	215	Extension for reply within second month	
	1253	980		2253	490	Extension for reply within third month	
	1254	1,530		2254	765	Extension for reply within fourth month	
	1255	2,080		2255	1,040	Extension for reply within fifth month	
	1401	340		2401	170	Notice of Appeal	
	1402	340		2402	170	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
	1403	300		2403	150	Request for oral hearing	
	1451	1,510		1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
	1452	110		2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
	1453	1,370		2453	685	Petition to revive - unintentional	
	1501	1,370		2501	685	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
	1502	490		2502	245	Design issue fee	
	1503	660		2503	330	Plant issue fee	
	1460	130		1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
	1807	50		1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (q)	
	1806	180		1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
	8021	40		8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
	1809	790		2809	395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
	1810	790		2810	395	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
	1801	790		2801	395	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	790
	1802	900		1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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**PATENT APPLICATION**

Applicant: **Krishna K. Dhara et al.** Case: **Dhara 2-2-1**

Serial No.: **09/677,060** Filed: **September 29, 2000**

Examiner: **Joshua A. Kading** Group Art Unit: **2661**

Confirmation No: **1685**

Title: **A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING BIFURCATED  
TRANSPORT OF SIGNALING AND INFORMATIONAL VOICE TRAFFIC**

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

**S I R:**

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 8, 2004 and in satisfaction of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.114, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper; and  
**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.